

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 04 May 2022 until 23:59 on Thursday 05 May 2022

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 04 May 2022 at 03:39 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for timing of low cloud clearance on Wednesday morning. High for changeable weather on Thursday and Friday, then high for a return to settled weather over the weekend.

Headline for Wednesday 04 May 2022: Early rain and low cloud, then dry

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 04 May 2022

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Strong sunlight

Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Light rain	Light rain	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
80%	60%	20%	10%	10%	10%

Forecast for Wednesday 04 May 2022

Weather: A cloudy start with outbreaks of rain. Becoming dry from late morning with some spells of sunshine developing. Dry in the afternoon with some occasional brightness, the best of this across the more eastern Trossachs.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Little chance at first, becoming 70% from late morning

Low Cloud and visibility: Poor in early morning mist and low cloud, extensive low cloud down to 500 metres. A marked improvement expected from late morning as clearer weather spreads from the west, but some cloud down to 750 metres lingering across Argyll and southern Lochaber into the afternoon.

Forecast for Wednesday 04 May 2022

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	17/20 S	18/23 W	18/25 W	20/27 W	17/24 W	16/21 W	18/24 SW
900	11/13 SW	16/20 W	17/24 W	18/25 W	16/22 W	12/17 W	13/19 SW
600	12/14 SW	15/19 W	16/22 W	16/23 W	13/19 W	11/16 SW	14/19 SW
300	6/9 SW	11/18 W	11/18 W	11/18 W	9/15 W	5/9 SW	7/12 SW
Glen	5/12 SW	11/19 W	11/19 W	10/19 W	9/17 W	5/10 SW	6/13 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	4/-1	3/-2	1/-5	1/-5	1/-5	0/-6	1/-5
900	5/2	5/1	5/0	5/-0	4/-0	3/-1	3/-1
600	7/4	7/4	7/3	7/3	6/3	5/2	5/1
300	9/7	9/6	9/7	10/7	9/7	8/6	8/5
Glen	10/9	10/8	12/10	12/10	11/9	10/9	9/8
Freezing Level*	1900m	1700m	1400m	1400m	1400m	1500m	2000m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Nothing to add

Forecast for Thursday 05 May 2022

Weather: A cloudy day with some patchy light rain in the morning. Rain turning somewhat more widespread in the afternoon, most persistent and heaviest across Argyll and southern Lochaber.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly 25 mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20%

Low Cloud and visibility: Generally poor in extensive cloud cover down to 500 to 700 metres.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 7 rising to 13 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 6 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits